

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph [00016] beginning at page 5, line 5, and continuing to page 5, line 18, as follows:

In making or attempting to make connection with a user equipment unit operating in a radio access network, a core network typically assigns a core network UE identity (e.g., CN UE identity) to the user equipment unit. But the CN UE identity assigned to a particular user equipment unit may not be unique CN UE identity when used on a common transport channel to a connected mode UE. Keep in mind that there may be several core networks which are assigning CN UE identities. It may turn out, for example, that an idle mode UE registered in different location and/or routing area ~~and~~ may camp in the same cell as with a connected mode UE, with both the idle mode UE and connected mode UE having been assigned the same CN UE identity. The typical scenario when such common assignment may happen is when the connected mode UE camps in a cell controlled by a drift RNC (DRNC). If the DRNC receives a paging message from a CN node, intended to the idle mode UE, it should be able to use the CN UE identity as the identity when paging the idle mode UE without a risk that the connected mode UE may respond to the page.

Please amend paragraph [00055] beginning at page 14, line 18, and continuing to page 14, line 31, as follows:

FIG. 1 illustrates that control node 26₂ includes a reset response unit 120 which represents functionality for responding to the reset message 102. The reset message 102 includes the subset reset element which collectively indicates or specifies that a subset of the connection (connection subset or group of connections) controlled by the control node 26₁ are to be released. As explained subsequently in more detail in an illustrative example implementation, upon receipt of the reset message 102 the reset response unit 120 prepares and sends one or more types of connection release messages to base stations in cells for which control node 26₂ controls radio resources. For example, the reset response unit 120 sends connection release message 122₁ to base station 28₂₋₁ and connection release message 122₂ to base station 28₂₋₂. As illustrated in FIG. 1, the connection release message 122 are merely representative messages. In addition, ~~the reset response unit 120,~~ upon successful transmission of the connection release message 122, the reset response unit 120 of control node 26₂ returns a reset response message 130 to control node 26₁.